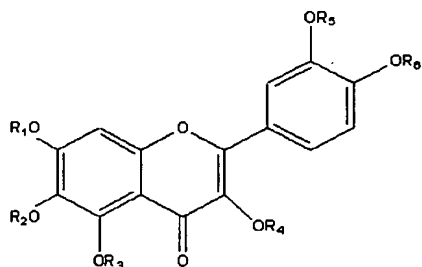


ABSTRACT

The present invention relates to a dendrite elongation inhibitor for melanocytes consisting of a compound represented by the following general formula (1):



formula (1)

and/or a salt thereof,

wherein R<sub>1</sub>, R<sub>2</sub>, R<sub>3</sub>, R<sub>4</sub>, R<sub>5</sub>, and R<sub>6</sub> each independently represent a hydrogen atom or a C<sub>1-4</sub> alkyl group,

and a skin preparation for external use comprising the dendrite elongation inhibitor for melanocytes as an active ingredient.